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1. West Germans oppose Berlin annexation at present--Chancellor Adenauer has informed US High Commissioner McCloy that leaders of the German Federal Republic believe Berlin should not for the present be incorporated into the Republic. Adenauer is in favor of limiting the action his Government takes concerning Berlin to the extension of financial aid and to opening Berlin branches of Bonn Government ministries. McCloy assured Adenauer that the US would not press for the annexation of Berlin if the Germans do not want it. McCloy declared, however, that the US does want to give unequivocal evidence of western support of Berlin and indicated that High Commission meetings might occasionally be held in Berlin for psychological purposes.

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1. Indonesian Republicans reportedly hand "ultimatum" to Dutch--
Dutch Representative Lovink in Batavia has informed US consular officials that he has received from the Republican Minister of Defense a "virtual ultimatum" demanding that Dutch forces begin to withdraw from the countryside in Java and concentrate at local administrative centers. According to Lovink, the Republican Defense Minister said that his Government could not be responsible for the avoidance of serious incidents if the Dutch failed to comply with this demand. Lovink, in turn, stated that the issue was "too basic" to be dealt with by local representatives of the UN Committee for Indonesia and has referred the Republican demand to the Netherlands Government.

(CIA Comment: CIA does not believe that either the Dutch or Republican governments will sanction organized military operations unless a complete impasse is reached at The Hague. Meanwhile, scattered outbreaks of violence in Java can be expected.)

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